

## ABSTRACT

[SUMMARY]

[OBJECT]

In order to provide a technology in an ultrasonic flowmeter to  
5 efficiently penetrate through both of a wedge and a fluid pipe surface so as to  
contribute to more accurate measurement of a flow rate.

[ORGANIZATION]

An ultrasonic flowmeter includes an ultrasonic transmitter for  
launching ultrasonic pulses of a predetermined frequency into the fluid to be  
10 measured in fluid pipe from an ultrasonic transducer along a measurement  
line; a flow velocity distribution measurement means for measuring flow  
velocity distribution of the fluid to be measured in a measurement region by  
receiving ultrasonic echoes (reflection wave A) reflected from the  
measurement region among the ultrasonic pulses incident into the fluid to be  
15 measured; and a flow rate operation means for operating a flow rate of the  
fluid to be measured in the measurement region based on the flow velocity  
distribution of the fluid to be measured, and a clamp-on type is adopted. A  
condition to make both a distance from the ultrasonic transmitter in the  
wedge to the outer surface of the liquid pipe and the wall width of the fluid  
20 pipe be an integral multiple of  $\lambda/2$  of the frequency used should be satisfied.

[SELECTED DRAWING] FIG. 1